

99, HE CALLS 100 RIGHT SPAN OF LIFE

Dr. Stephen Smith, Standing
Through Banquet, Draws
Lesson From Moses.

'HARD WORK NEVER KILLS'

Public Health Association
Pays Honor to Its Oldest
Member.

A man erect of bearing, Gladstonian in appearance, and who is within thirteen months of the century mark, stood for half an hour last night and addressed the guests at a banquet held in the large ballroom of the Astor Hotel. The speaker's voice hesitated but seldom and his words carried to the furthestmost corners of the hall, wherein were seated five hundred of the most prominent men and women physicians of the country and their friends.

The man was Dr. Stephen Smith, and his message was that there is no reason why mankind should not extend the accepted span of life by thirty years and live to be 100. Once during his address Dr. Mayzek Ravenel, president of the American Public Health Association, holding its annual convention and semi-centennial celebration, interrupted Dr. Smith and suggested that he might be seated if he so desired. "Well, I'll stand for a few minutes," replied Dr. Smith, and he continued to stand through the reading of his address.

"We have too long been content with the false code of the Mosaic law," the speaker told his audience, "a law that limits life to three score years and ten, with a possibility of reaching fourscore years. The falsity of this law was verified by Moses himself, who lived forty years over his own allotted time. "We are living under entirely different conditions with a basic principle fixed by the unalterable predilection of science. Biology teaches us that the normal and potential life of man is 100 years; that every child born is adapted in physical construction and function to live a century. We must therefore infer that in the natural order of life all deaths occurring at an earlier age are due to conditions existing which are not compatible with the construction and function of the human organism."

Look Forward Thirty Years.

"In these scientific facts we find the present duties and opportunities of this association. I submit that on this jubilee day we should inaugurate the new era in life saving by moving our standard for the length of life forward thirty years, and summon the sanitary officials and the people to rally round that standard, now permanently fixed by the immutable deductions of science."

Dr. Smith's assurance of the possibility of longer life was received with applause. He himself has lived principally on milk and grains with little meat. He is the first man of so great an age ever to address a large gathering for so long a time. He takes exception to the statement made recently by a clergyman that the "nerve-racking life of New York is not conducive to health and longevity." "The very opposite of this statement is proven true," declared Dr. Smith. "It is among the people most engaged in the 'nerve-racking activities of business' that we find vigorous health. Few if any persons die of too much work, while thousands lose health and life by the slowly disintegrating process of idleness."

President Harding sent a message to Dr. Smith congratulating him upon his health and his splendid health work and adding good wishes for the testimonial banquet.

Officers of the association elected are: President, Dr. Allan J. McLaughlin, Assistant Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service; Vice-Presidents, Dr. Haven Emerson, formerly Health Commissioner; Dr. Alfonso Prunedu, head of the National Department of Health of Mexico; and Royal S. Copeland, City Health Commissioner; Executive Secretary, A. W. Hedrich, and Treasurer, Dr. Roger L. Lee, professor of hygiene, Harvard.

New Societies Opposed.

Formation of new national health organizations was discouraged by the American Public Health Association, which adopted a resolution to this effect at its general session. The resolution

A War Story by Sergeant Woodfill



As a guest of Philip J. McCook, Sergeant Woodfill is relating an experience of the war to (left to right) Daniel, Philip and John McCook.

Sergeant Called by Pershing 'Most Notable American Soldier' Comes to City for Honors by His Own 'Fifth' and Other Units.

Sergeant Samuel Woodfill, described by Gen. John J. Pershing as "the most notable American soldier," arrived in New York last night for a few days' stay as guest of the Society of the Fifth Division. Together with Mrs. Woodfill the Sergeant went to the home of Justice and Mrs. Philip J. McCook in 413 East Fifty-seventh street, where he was impressed into service as a story teller by Justice McCook's three sons, Daniel B., 12 years old; Philip Brown, 5, and John Sheldon, 3.

Sergeant Woodfill, whose greatest single exploit was in killing nineteen Germans in a close range fight in German machine gun nests, was reticent about his war experiences.

"It was just a part of the job," he said; "a day's work that came my way and I did the best I could." Many entertainments have been arranged for Sergeant Woodfill by the Fifth Division veterans and the veterans of other units. The most notable will be a reception by the Fifth at the Army and Navy Club next Saturday. Mrs. McCook will entertain for wives of the men of the division in her home Friday afternoon.

was introduced by Dr. John F. Farrell of the International Health Board. An effort will be made to have existing agencies meet the purpose of any proposed organization, if possible. Dr. Mayzek P. Ravenel, president of the association, was empowered by the convention to appoint a committee of five to cooperate with the officers and directors of the proposed Gorgas Memorial Institute in honor of the late Surgeon-General of the United States Army.

Papers were read at the morning meeting by George W. Fuller, Hugh S. Cumming, Surgeon-General of the United States Public Health Service, and Edwin O. Jordan of the University of Chicago.

The delegates attended the health show in the afternoon. Sessions to-day will be in the morning and afternoon. There are lemon pies just like mother used to make and there are lemon pies that are not lemon pies at all, but a mixture of queer ingredients apparently bearing no relation whatever to the citrus flavored meringue topped dessert distributed among the favorite lunch dishes. The Health Department's food and drug bureau has made this discovery about deceptive pies and announces at its booth at the Health Show in Grand Central Palace that about 65 per cent. of all the pies masquerading under the name of lemon meringue might just as well be called sulphur dioxide, or glucose meringue or cottonseed tart or anything else, so far as fitting the name to the material is concerned.

Bogus Lemon Pies Exposed.

To illustrate to the public the difference between the genuine homemade lemon meringue pie and the imitation the bureau has on display an example of each kind. They look pretty much alike, the experts admit, but the composition of the imitation, as set forth in the booth, includes whipped glucose, coal tar

colors, cottonseed and mineral oils, sulphur dioxide, oil of lemon and corn starch. And any reliable cookbook will tell you that mother made her excellent pies of sugar, eggs, milk, lard, flour and lemons.

Other culinary exposures by the bureau are coconut cakes made of 75 per cent. cereoline and 25 per cent. real coconut, almond cakes made out of peanuts flavored with almond oil and soda water with a soap bark froth.

Brooklyn sent over a group of blond haired babies, one of whom, Edna Roeth, 15 months old, of 88 Logan street, captured the prize for that borough. She won over twenty-five babies from the baby health stations.

Yesterday was overweight day and everybody who could crowd onto the numerous scales scattered throughout the hall had a chance to learn how near the record comes to the figure on the chart. Leaflets on "The Ideal Build," telling you what you should weigh to, range and height, were distributed free by the Life Extension Institute, Inc.

The tendency here to tip the scales at too high a figure will be discussed Saturday by Dr. Lulu H. Peters, of Los Angeles, who will tell women how to watch their weight.

The New York Fisheries Industry is demonstrating the use of little known fish, telling housewives how to prepare it and giving away recipes.

The Yorkville Social Service Cribbing class brought old shoes belonging to brothers and sisters of its members and patched and halfoiled them while the show was going on.

More than 10,000 persons attended the third day of the Health Show. The crowd was so great when the doors opened at 2 P. M. that it was decided to open at 11 A. M. for the remainder of the week and close at 11 P. M.

CHAPMAN GIVES BAIL IN MAIL ROB CASE

Man Found on Aquitania Is
Taken to Boston, Where Another Arrest Is Made.

DECLARES HIS INNOCENCE

Charge Is Selling \$10,000 Securities, Part of \$100,000 Robbery in Los Angeles.

Bert R. Chapman, who was taken off the steamship Aquitania on Tuesday by postal inspectors, charged with having had and sold in Boston \$10,000 worth of bonds that were a part of the proceeds of a \$100,000 mail robbery in Los Angeles, waived examination before a United States Commissioner yesterday and was taken to Boston. He arrived there about 8 o'clock, soon after postal inspectors there had arrested Charles Solomon, well known in Boston sporting circles, who is charged with receiving and secreting ten Liberty bonds worth \$10,000.

Solomon, whose arrest was said by the authorities to have grown out of Chapman's alleged transactions in the stolen securities, was released on bond by a United States Commissioner in Boston and will be tried on November 23. After his arrest Solomon's house was searched by postal inspectors, who had a search warrant, as was a safety deposit box at a Boston bank where it was thought bonds might have been placed. The authorities did not disclose the result of the search.

Chapman was taken to the East Cambridge jail as soon as he reached Boston, but soon afterward he was released in \$10,000 bail, furnished by professional bondsmen. Before leaving New York Chapman, after talking with his attorney, John W. Connolly of Boston, said that he was so eager to return to Boston to prove his innocence that he would pay his own fare rather than have the Government do it. He told the postal inspectors he had taken a sealed envelope from one Boston broker to another and resolved in return another sealed envelope which he carried to the first broker. He said the case against him was possibly based on this incident,

but he declared he did not know what either envelope contained. He gave the names of the brokers. One of them had the same family name as one of two women who went to the pier on Tuesday to see Chapman off and learned that the postal detectives had relieved them of that necessity.

Chapman's name was originally Cohen, according to the inspectors, who say he ideally changed it to Kaplan and then to Chapman for business reasons. He has been an automobile salesman. He said that when he was arrested he was going abroad to pass the Christmas holidays with friends in London and to observe business conditions in other countries.

In New York uniformed letter carriers will take the place of clerks assigned to duty on wagons transporting valuable mail. A United States marine will accompany the letter carrier and another marine will ride with the driver. This change was made known yesterday after a conference at the main post office. Three Assistant Postmaster-Generals from Washington—Work, Shaugnessy and Glover—Chief Inspector Cochran and other inspectors attended the meeting, which had to do with protecting the mails against further robbery.

MRS. BEAULEY TO FIGHT AGAIN FOR DIVORCE

Special Counsel Fee of \$1,500
Granted to Her.

Mrs. Harriet W. Beauley, head of a school of expressive art in Arrochar, Staten Island, was granted a special counsel fee of \$1,500 in the Supreme Court yesterday that she may prepare for a second trial of a divorce action which is pending between her and William J. Beauley, an artist.

Beauley divorced his wife in 1915, but last year she obtained a retrial of the case and the decree of divorce was set aside on testimony tending to show she had been the victim of collusion. Beauley appealed and the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court has ordered all the issues in the case retried. He has remarried since obtaining his original decree.

Mrs. Harriet Beauley has an action for \$250,000 damages pending, in which she charges that he and nine other persons entered into a conspiracy to obtain the divorce by fraud.

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